

Recreation Committee Mins - 03/25/2008

Hopkinton Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes March 25, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM at the Slusser Senior Center.

Members in attendance: Louise Carr, Valerie Carr, Vernon Miller, Jim Martin, Selectmen Jim O'Brien and Recreation Director Justin La Vigne.

Approval of 2/26/08 Recreation Committee minutes:
The minutes from 2/26/08 were approved.

Business:

Justin updated the committee about the status of Summer day camp and he is in the process of interviewing counselors. He is also interviewing for lifeguards. Justin will send Cameron Ford another email in regards to his ideas of finding counselors. Valerie suggested that the campers do something for the community, ie: community projects. Jim suggested displaying their art in the library.

Justin updated the status of the Recreation Committee and was pleased to announce that Jim O'Brien will be our Selectmen representative. Justin has also been contacted by two other people who are interested in learning more about the committee and they will attend an upcoming meeting. Some suggestions were to look at other organizations, church's and when the July 4th meeting come up ask those volunteers.

Justin updated the committee that the Senior Recreation Committee has been approved by the BOS and he will be advertising for members soon.

Justin updated the committee that he has meet with a college student who may be a potential intern.

Louise led a discussion about the current Recreation Committee Bylaws and explained that they have not been updated in years. The committee discussed and revised the bylaws.

Louise also led a discussion about the Goals and Objectives for 2008. The committee discussed and revised past goals and established new ones. The BOS has requested that all Committee Chairmen meet with on April 7, 2008. Louise would like to have these two above items ready for that meeting. She also asked that the other committee members attend the BOS meeting to support her and the department.

Programs Update:

Easter Egg Hunt Wrap-Up: A great event with over 300 people. The high school was a great back-up plan and most folks enjoyed the indoor venue. Vernon was a great bunny and the committee with volunteers did a great job! Vernon will get Justin pictures and they will be sent out to the local media sources with a write-up. Some suggestions were to have a recycle bin for the eggs, stagger the kids better, put eggs out as it goes and maybe do a night time hunt for the older kids.

Ballroom dancing workshop: Has ended and was success! Let's Dance Studio provided the instructors and Justin will keep in contact to have another class in the future.

Lacrosse Program: Lacrosse registration is winding down and we are about 100 registered. A good increase from last year.

Stars on Ice: Tickets for the show are selling and only a handful remain.

Indoor Yard Sale: Tables for the sale are sold out and there is a waiting list to buy one. Justin will have Recreation info at the sale and make sure to hang the Recreation banner.

Summer Brochure: Justin would like to start a summer brochure for events and get it out before school ends. Louise will send a copy of what the Recreation Dept did in the past.

July 4th Celebration: Louise discussed as Chair of the event she would like to set up a meeting for volunteers and that will take place on April 10 at 6:30pm in the Slusser Senior Center. She will send out a PSA and will make up a flyer for the Seniors. Justin will look into the Post office for advertising for events.

Others: Jim stated that he would like to see cabins fixed up and used more often. He also would like to see a community pool here.

Other Business:

Email list serve update: Justin has been collecting emails from program participants.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 29 @ 6:00 PM at the Slusser Senior Center.

We are adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Justin La Vigne